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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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**RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

Dear Sir:

This paper is responsive to the Office Action dated June 28, 2007, having a three-month shortened statutory period for reply. Accompanying this response is a petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 for a one-month extension of time, setting a new period for reply that ends on October 29, 2007 (since October 28, 2007 was a Sunday). Further examination and reconsideration are respectfully requested in view of the amendments and remarks set forth below.

No amendments are made in this paper.

A Listing of Claims is presented for the convenience of the examiner, beginning on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 31.